will be known only after the Committee submits its final report.

Statement

Scheme and Group Life Insurance Scheme

Composition of the Committee

1.	Shri B. No. Yugandhar, Secretary, Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment Government of India	Chairman
2.	Secretary Expenditure or his representative	Member
3.	Secretary Welfare or his representative	Member
4.	Advisor (Rural Development) Planning Commission	Member
5.	Prof. S. Guhan Madras Institute of Development Studies	Member
6.	Smt. Nirmala Buch, Member, PESB	Member

7 to 10 A representative each of the State Governments of Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and West Bengal.

In addition to above, for purposes of working out the details regarding the Group Life Insurance Scheme of LIC, the Committee could coopt senior officials of LIC and Department of Insurance to assist them. Similarly, officials of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare may be coopted with the work of the Committee.

Terms of Reference of the Committee

(1) To work out the salient features of the new Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Social Assistance for the poor comprising of the three components, namely, (a) old age pension; (b) lump-sum survivor benefits to rural households; and (c) provision of sustenance for pre-natal and post-natal maternity care to women belonging to poor households for the first two births.

(2) To work out the eligibility criteria for persons who would benefit from these three schemes and the manner in which these criteria willbe implemented and administered at the field level, especially in Panchayats.

(3) To work out the details relating to the sharing of the costs between the Centre and the States, keeping inview the objectives of the scheme.

(4) To work out the annual expenditure of the scheme, especially during the commencement year 1995-96 and the appropriate provisions required for its implemenation.

(5) To work out the modalities for ensuring the flow of funds and institutional arrangements through Panchayats for identification and prompt disbursement of these benefits, including methods of verification of claims.

(6) To work out the linkage with health care and family welfare measures to those benefiting from the provison of assistance for pre-natal and post-natal maternity care.

(7) To work out the detailed framework for ensuring that this scheme is properly monitored and made acountable to State Legislatures and the Parliament for distribution of benefits and their appropriate utilisation.

(8) To work out the salient features of the Group Life Insurance Scheme of the LIC, which will be implemented by Panchayats in rural areas in consultation with LIC.

(9) Any other matter of relevance and importance connected with these.

Non-Performing Assets of United Bank of India

5304. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total non-performing assets of United Bank of India;

(b) what is the total recovery of UBI in the year 1994-95; and

(c) what has been the recovery from the former management of a tobacco company in 24 Parganas North in West Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) United Bank of India (UBI) has reported that total Non-Performing Assets of the bank aggregated Rs. 1152.00 crores as on 31st March, 1994

(b) The recovery of NPA in 1994-95 is Rs. 143.50 crores (provisional).

(c) United Bank of India has reported that in the A/c New Tobacco Co. Ltd. so far total recovery is Rs. 16.00 crores out of which Duncan Industries Ltd. has paid Rs. 13.00 crores

Charges against Senior Custom officials

5305. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state·

(a) whether it is a fact that certain senior customs officials including the Delhi's Principal Collector of Customs have been booked by CBI on charges of cheating and misappropriation of Government money;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received many complaints from individuals and MPs regarding non-payment of rewards to the informers; and

(d) if so, the details of such complaints received during the last three years and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Matter is under investigation by C.B.I.

(c) Government have received from time to time representations/complaints from Hon'ble MPs as well as individuals regarding non-payment of reward to informers.

(d) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

Central Government Guarantee to Banks/ Financial Institutions

5306. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to unstarred Question 1055 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st march, 1995 and to state:

(a) whether RBI has directed the banks that they are free to decline the rehabilitation package of potential viable sick CPSUs in absence of Central Government Guarantee and Ministry of Finance have not advised all concerned Ministries, Banks/FIs, that Government guarantee would be automatically available in the case of potentially viable sick CPUs as the delay in taking decision for providing Government guarantee would turn potentially viable sick CPSUs into non-viable ones; and

(b) if so, what are the full details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of india (RBI) has reported that their instructions to banks that they would be free to decline credit in the absence of type and form of security that they may deem necessary (which may include Government guarantee) merely reiterates the principle that the banks as purveyors of credits disbursed largely out of the savings of the public mobilised by them are free to insist upon the type of security from all